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2016 NASSA AGM

Indiana State Fairgrounds
Indianapolis, IN

CELEBRATING INDIANA'S BICENTENNIAL

The 2016 Indiana State Fair theme is Celebrating Indiana's Bicentennial! As the State of Indiana prepares to celebrate 200 years of Hoosier heritage, the 2016 Indiana State Fair will also join in the festivities. Fairgoers can look forward to several exhibits and special features that highlight our state's history, art and tradition.

Monday Aug. 15, 2016

- 4:30 pm** Optional youth halter sheep showing demonstration by Emma and Anna Hopkins near the Shetland pens in the sheep barn (location described below).
- 5:00 pm** Attendees will meet inside the Blue Ribbon Pavilion (Sheep Barn) on the south side of the fairgrounds in the Southeast corner of the barn where the Shetland pens will be located. Look for the AGM sign at the Little Eagle Creek Valley Farm pens. Any necessary AGM materials will be distributed. Participants as a group will walk over to the Northwest side of the fair grounds and purchase dinner at their own expense from one of dozens of food vendors the group will pass on the walk over.
- 5:30 pm** Informal group dinner on the Indiana State Fairgrounds at the tables on the lawn outside of the 4-H Exhibit Hall.
- 6:30 pm** Program commences. Board of Animal Health temporary state fairgrounds office (in old dormitory building next to the 4-H Exhibit Hall) Update on the SCRAPIE program. Guest Speaker Cheryl Miller ---Indiana State Board of Animal Health--- she will also provide up dates on other livestock show related subjects followed by a question and answer session.
- 7:00 pm** NASSA Annual General Meeting at the same location. At least three board members are expected to be in attendance. Pending issues before the NASSA Board will be discussed.

Tuesday August 16

- 9:00 am** Open Shetland Sheep Show, Blue Ribbon Pavilion show ring. The building is air-conditioned. The show usually lasts about three hours. At the conclusion of the show breeders and AGM participants can gather around the Shetland pens to discuss sheep and enjoy Shetland breeder fellowship before heading home that afternoon.

Exhibitors Please Note:

Anyone wishing to participate in the show will need to register directly with the Indiana State Fair website at: www.in.gov/statefair

Lodging near the Indiana State Fairgrounds

There will be no headquarters hotel for this AGM due to the distance of the nearest hotels from the fairgrounds but lodging options are listed below. With so much to see and do at the Indiana State Fair 2016, it makes sense to stay nearby and turn a day at the fair into a full-fledged vacation.

Camping is available year-round at the fairgrounds, but reservations are required during the seventeen days of the fair. RVs hookups are available, as are lots for tent campers.

The Marten House Hotel, the official hotel of the Indiana State Fair, provides hospitality to many of the fair-goers. Located at 1801 W. 86th Street in Indianapolis, it is one of the state's nicest luxury hotels and offers 163 guestrooms. Amenities include large-screen TVs, in-room coffee, and kitchenettes. The Marten House, also home to the Lily Conference Center, has a casual dining restaurant, free parking, and an indoor heated pool.

The Drury Inn is also conveniently located at 8180 N Shadeland Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46250

If less expensive hotels better suit your budget, consider America's Best Inn, which has six locations within 30 miles of the fair. The America's Best Inn Indy East at 7314 E. 21st Street is just five miles from the fairgrounds. The guestrooms have TVs with movie channels and DVD players. In the morning, guests are treated to a complimentary breakfast spread.

All hotels and motels fill rapidly in anticipation of the great Indiana State Fair. Please reserve your room(s) early, to avoid disappointment.

2016 AGM REGISTRATION FORM - DUE JULY 31, 2016 (COPIES ACCEPTABLE)

Farm Name: _____ Flock # _____

Address: _____

City, State, Province _____

Telephone # _____ E-Mail _____

Names of those attending _____

There is no charge for attendance but participants will have to pay approximately \$12 per person to enter the fairgrounds and an additional amount to cover the cost of their individual dinner purchased from a food vendor of their choosing.

Mail registration form to: Anna Hopkins,
2701 S. 1200 E., Zionsville, IN 46077



Blue Ribbon Pavillion "See you there!"